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To Gen Cabell

We now have one complete set of all reports prepared by special intelligence organization of the European Command from its conception to present date. We are forwarding these reports for your inspection and final disposition. We are of the opinion that inspection of these reports will lend weight to arguments for allocating Air Force funds to this organization. Advise caution in utilizing these reports as most of them were forwarded as received.

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From OI OB

Following report on unidentified aircraft sighting comes from 307th Bomb Group which participated in operation dagger. Unidentified aircraft was sighted by three crews of the group at 1402Z 5 Sep 48 off west coast of Holland, 5155N/0355E. Altitude of all aircraft was 30,000 feet. When first sighted the unidentified A/C was cruising at a normal jet speed, heading 120 degrees. Soon after first seen, A/C began leaving smoke trails and condensation trails accompanied by sudden acceleration and then climb. General agreed by observers that it was a single jet propelled A/C employing probably rocket assists with tremendous reserve power, more than normal cruising speed for jets of the 1947 variety. Never within identification range; its course did not indicate its purpose.

Our evaluation of the above: B-2.

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For some time we have been concerned by the recurring reports on flying saucers. They periodically continue to crop up; during the last week, one was observed hovering over Neubiberg Air Base for about thirty minutes. They have been reported by so many sources and from such a variety of places that we are convinced that they cannot be disregarded and must be explained on some basis which is perhaps slightly beyond the scope of our present intelligence thinking.

When officers of this Directorate recently visited the Swedish Air Intelligence Service. This question was put to the Swedes. Their answer was that some reliable and fully technically qualified people have reached the conclusion that "these phenomena are obviously the result of a high technical skill which cannot be credited to any presently known culture on earth." They are therefore assuming that these objects originate from some previously unknown or unidentified technology, possibly outside the earth.

One of these objects was observed by a Swedish technical expert near his home on the edge of a lake. The object crashed or landed in the lake and he carefully noted its azimuth from his point of observation. Swedish intelligence was sufficiently confident in his observation that a naval salvage team was sent to the lake. Operations were underway during the visit of USAFE officers. Divers had discovered a previously uncharted crater on the floor of the lake. No further information is available, but we have been promised knowledge of the results. In their opinion, the observation was reliable, and they believe that the depression on the floor of the lake, which did not appear on current Hydrographic charts, was in fact caused by a flying saucer.

Although accepting this theory of the origin of these objects poses a whole new group of questions and puts much of our thinking in a changed light, we are inclined not to discredit entirely this somewhat spectacular theory, meantime keeping an open mind on the subject. What are your reactions?

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He also knows of a Soviet-built radar set located near Kholomia Airfield (5 KM W of Airfield, near the town of Kholomia). This type set is called "Redut". He believes personnel of this set to be army, assigned to PVO, but is not certain. His regiment conducted flying cooperation exercises with the set, presumably to train the set operators, since the set was first located at Kholomia in Spring 1947. His aircraft, in October 1948, lost the set on such an exercise at a distance of 150 kilometers and altitude of 1200 meters. Following instructions, he then climbed to 3000 meters, when the set again picked him up. He states he believes this type set is standard throughout the PVO, and that he believes its maximum range to be 150 kilometers, because no training flights of greater distances were ever undertaken. Further details will be sought.

All TU-2 of 63 Regt are fitted with IFF type S. CH. (C-4), located in the tail of the aircraft and operated by a switch in the radio operator's compartment. Further, experiments with airborne radar (A tail warning device) were carried out in 1947 and TU-2 of his regiment. This equipment involved the installation of a small external array. Sets were removed after a few days of testing, but results were understood to have been satisfactory.

On the subject of Kholomia Airfield, this field is currently apparently simply a level pasture, 600 meters N/S by 1400 meters E/W, but a paved runway is being constructed outside the north boundary of the airfield. No details are known to subject, as work has just commenced. The airfield currently has no installations; aircraft are parked in the open, and fuel is brought directly to the aircraft from the town of Kholomia (7 kilometers to the W) by tank trucks.

Another interesting fact is the arrival of the TU-2 with only a crew of three, and without the dorsal turret machine gun in place (nor anyplace on the aircraft). Subject states that the air gunner sergeants who should occupy this fourth position are on duty with the regiment, but are engaged in fatigue details, and ~~XXXX~~ rarely carried on training flights.

Subject believes the TU-2 to be manufactured in a factory in Moscow, and it is noted that a plaque in the aircraft stated that it had been produced in Factory No. 19.

A fuller report will shortly be underway, based on interrogation conducted so far, and many more details are expected to be obtained in the next week or two, with both pilot and navigator being interrogated.

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CIC source reports that the Russians have ordered CSR Missions in foreign countries to purchase radar tubes in large quantities regardless of costs. Mission also instructed to purchase a complete radar set.

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